

LAWSON HINTS SENSATION— MAY GIVE OUT NAME OF CABINET MEMBER

Washington, Jan. 9.—The house note leak committee today voted to receive and enter a motion by Rep. Bennet to report Thos. W. Lawson, financier, to the house as in contempt of the committee for failure to answer its questions.

Action on the motion was deferred.

Shortly thereafter Rep. Chipperfield, following heated clashes with the witness, started to move again to cite Lawson for contempt, but fellow members prevailed against such action at this time.

Lawson said he believed in federal regulation of the stock exchange.

The financier again today was asked the name of the "New York banker" who told him "a cabinet officer" had profited by the leak to Wall street. Again he refused.

"I'll take you or any other member out in the cloakroom and tell you confidentially," retorted Lawson beligerently, leaning toward the questioner, "but I won't tell it here."

Chipperfield asked Lawson how he dealt on the market. Lawson parried with a question as to Chipperfield's rights to ask questions.

Lawson said he did not recall with what brokers he dealt in December. Chipperfield roared out a protest, jumped to his feet and said he "resented" what he held to be Lawson's attempt to indict others in the leak situation.

"You told us yesterday you were a beneficiary from this leak," Chipperfield pressed. "How much did you make and was it \$500,000?"

"Oh, I don't know," Lawson retorted.

Chipperfield finally blew up with a loud report.

"Is it your purpose not to give this committee any information?" he shouted. "Let us not waste any more time."

"Oh, I'm trying to give you infor-

mation," Lawson answered, with a taunting smile at the flushed and irate legislator.

Lawson suggested that there might be another name in the leak situation, the "mention of whom might be more serious than the mention of other persons" he had hinted at.

In fact he said, "the bare mention of the name might be disastrous to the name and the administration."

Thirty days hence, he said, it might not be so serious to mention it.

Lawson finally made the definite promise to give the name of the congressman and the cabinet member he mentioned yesterday "if the present commission recommended a full rather than just this preliminary probe."

JANITORS' UNION HOPEFUL

In spite of the refusal of the apartment building owners' trust to deal with the Flat Janitors' union, the men are optimistic over their chances of success. Pres. Wm. Quesse of the union gave out the following statement last night:

"Twelve agents, representing 400 owners of apartments, signed our agreement," said he. "Mr. Hart has asked that our demands be placed before him in writing so that they could be formally taken up with the owners and agents tomorrow. I look for a prompt settlement."

The janitors have been assured of the support of the Chi. Federation of Labor, the teamsters, the milk wagon drivers and other unions in the event of a city-wide strike.

BITS OF NEWS

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